

Head Start National Reporting System

Assessment Training Practice

Importance of Local Training

Local Training is critical...

- To maintain reliability and validity of the local child assessments
- To ensure that all children receive the same, standardized assessment
- To successfully implement the National Reporting System

Importance of Standardized Training

- To ensure that all local assessors receive the same information
- Deviating from the assessment training script may confuse the directions to the local assessors, making it difficult for them to understand the assessment procedures
- Alternatively, deviating from the assessment training script may result in local assessors from different trainings administering the assessment in different ways

Training must be the same for all local assessors

- Training and instructions to all local assessors must be read as it is written in the assessment training script

Assessment Training Practice

- Class will break into small groups of four or five trainees
- Trainees will each have a turn “training” the other members of a group on a section of the assessment training script
- Trainees will take turns reading a section from the assessment training script

Tasks of Trainees

Even though one trainee is reading aloud at a time, the other trainees should practice demonstrating the easel:

- Follow along in the assessment training script and easel
- Practice pointing to the plates and any other actions associated with training

Training Staff

- If you have any questions or are unclear about a section, ask training staff
- Training staff will also observe and provide feedback for tips

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT!

- Please make sure everyone in your group has an opportunity to read a section in the assessment training script